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REPLY TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

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Sir:

This Reply is to the Notification of Missing Requirements under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) dated January 29, 2007 in the above-identified application. Applicants request a two month extension of time and provide the payment for that extension herewith. With that extension of time, this Reply is due May 29, 2007 and is timely filed.

Oath or Declaration

Enclosed herewith is four (4) Declarations, one signed by each inventor, in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.497(a) and (b). A copy of the Notification is also included herewith, as required.

Sequence Requirements

Enclosed herewith is a sequence listing in both paper and computer-readable forms for the above-identified patent application. This sequence listing was previously submitted in the International phase of this application, under PCT/US04/42418. The content of the sequence listing information recorded in computer readable form is identical to the written (on paper) sequence listing. The sequence listing includes no new matter.

<u>Information Disclosure Statement</u>

Enclosed herewith are Forms PTO/SB/08A (1 page) and PTO/SB/08B (1 page) and copies of the 12 non-US patent references listed on those forms.

Amendment

Please enter the following amendment into the instant patent application.

Appl. No. 10/582,662 Reply to Notification of Missing Requirements of February 21, 2007 Reply dated May 24, 2007

Specification Amendment

Please enter the enclosed sequence listing into the instant patent application.

Fees

The Notification of Missing Requirements asserts that the Search Fee and Examination Fee is still required. However, Applicants note that the International Preliminary Report on Patentability for the parent PCT application (PCT/US2004/042418), copy enclosed, establishes that all claims satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4). As indicated in the TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371, Form PCT-1390, at lines 22 and 23, the Examination Fee and Search Fee are both \$0. Accordingly, Applicants assert that additional payment for the Examination Fee and Search Fee is not required.

Conclusion

Applicants enclose herewith an Amster, Rothstein & Ebenstein check for \$290.00 to cover the two month extension of time fee (\$225.00) and the late Declaration fee (\$65.00) for a small entity. It is believed that no other fee is due for this application. However, if there are additional fees required to maintain pendency of this application, authorization is hereby given to withdraw those fees from Deposit Account 01-1785.

Respectfully submitted

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NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Indication of Small Entity Status
- Copy of the International Application filed on 06/12/2006
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 06/12/2006
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 06/12/2006
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 06/12/2006
- Priority Documents filed on 06/12/2006
- Specification filed on 06/12/2006
- Claims filed on 06/12/2006
- Abstracts filed on 06/12/2006
- Drawings filed on 06/12/2006

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items MUST be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is \$215 for a Small Entity:

• \$65 Surcharge.

- This application clearly fails to comply with the requirements of 37 CFR. 1.821-1.825. Applicant's attention is directed to the final rulemaking notice published at 55 FR 18230 (May 1, 1990), and 1114 OG 29 (May 15, 1990). If the effective filing date is on or after July 1, 1998, see the final rulemaking notice published at 63 FR 29620 (June 1, 1998) and 1211 OG 82 (June 23, 1998). If the effective filing date is on or after September 8, 2000, see the final rulemaking notice published in the Federal Register at 65 FR 54604 (September 8, 2000) and 1238 OG 145 (September 19, 2000). Applicant must provide an initial computer readable form (CRF) copy of the "Sequence Listing", an initial paper or compact disc copy of the "Sequence Listing", as well as an amendment specifically directing its entry into the application. Applicant must also provide a statement that the content of the sequence listing information recorded in computer readable form is identical to the written (on paper or compact disc) sequence listing and, where applicable, includes no new matter, as required by 37 CFR 1.821(e), 1.821(f), 1.821(g), 1.825(b), or 1.825 (d). If applicant desires the sequence listing in the instant application to be identical with that of another application on file in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, such request in accordance with 37 CFR 1.821 (e) may be submitted in lieu of a new CRF.
- A copy of the "Sequence Listing" in computer readable form has not been submitted as required by 37 CFR 1.821(e). If the effective filing date is on or after September 8, 2000, see the final rulemaking notice published in the Federal Register at 65 FR 54604 (September 8, 2000) and 1238 OG 145 (September 19, 2000). Applicant must provide an initial computer readable form (CRF) copy of the "Sequence Listing" and a statement that the content of the sequence listing information recorded in computer readable form is identical to the written (on paper or compact disc) sequence listing and, where applicable, includes no new matter, as required by 37 CFR 1.821(e), 1.821(f), 1.821(g), 1.825(b), or 1.825(d). If applicant desires the sequence listing in the instant application to be identical with that of another application on file in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, such request in accordance with 37 CFR 1.821(e) may be submitted in lieu of a new CRF.
- The application search fee has not been paid. Applicant must submit \$50 to complete the search fee. Note a surcharge will be required if submitted later than commencement of the national stage (37 CFR 1.492(h)) and the basic national fee was not paid before July 1, 2005.
- The application examination fee has not been paid. Applicant must submit \$100 to complete the examination fee for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27. Note a surcharge will be required if submitted later than commencement of the national stage (37 CFR 1.492(h)) and the basic national fee was not paid before July 1, 2005.

Applicant is cautioned that correction of the above items may cause the specification and drawings page count to exceed 100 pages. If the specification and drawings exceed 100 pages, applicant will need to submit the required application size fee.

For questions regarding compliance to 37 CFR 1.821-1.825 requirements, please contact:

- For Rules Interpretation, call (571) 272-0951
- For Patentin Software Program Help, call Patent EBC at 1-866-217-9197 or directly at 703-305-3028 / 703-308-6845 between the hours of 6 a.m. and 12 midnight, Monday through Friday, EST.
- Send e-mail correspondence for Patentin Software Program Help @ ebc@uspto.gov

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

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